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For : A METHOD TO PREVENT ACCELERATED

ATHEROSCLEROSIS USING (sRAGE) SOLUBLE RECEPTOR

FOR ADVANCED GLYCATION ENDPRODUCTS

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MARCH 18, 2005 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to a March 18, 2005 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the March 18, 2005 Office Action was due June 18, 2005. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time for responding. The fee for a one-month extension of time is \$60.00 for a small entity, and a check for this amount is enclosed. With a one-month extension of time, a response is now due July 18, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.